



Hoof Beats

Kiwanis Club of the Horse Heaven Hills

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Remember, there is always more information about our club on our website at www.HorseHeavenKiwanis.org

President Joanna Harrington called the June 8 meeting to order. Terry Loney gave the invocation, Phil Slusser was Wrangler. Larry Hansmeier won our weekly raffle drawing for the second week in a row and donated the proceeds to our Foundation.

We were treated to an Interclub from Pasco: Darroll Clark, Richard Lathim, Fred Ackerman, John Hergert and Farris Naif. Donna Underwood brought us two guests: Cameron Saloneg and Richard Fleming.

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Brags

Phil Slusser reported on his cruise to Europe. Wayne Underwood showed off the shirt and cap with new Horse Heaven Hills Kiwanis logo and circulated an order sheet. He also just returned from an overseas trip and is thankful to be back. Wayne will celebrate his birthday Thursday. Terry Loney has just embarked on a new path: career services with Charter College in Pasco. Carolyn Lawson thanked Sarah Longan for getting the club 2 new newsletter sponsors and Terry for bringing in a new J&S sponsor from Creekstone. She will also celebrate her birthday on the same day as Wayne.

Sarah Longan's son will celebrate his birthday. Alex Burden has just acquired a newborn nephew, his second. Lorraine Cooper's nephew is a graduate. Don Barnes told about a "while-you-watched" ice sculpture at a 35th anniversary party. Jo Harrington has a niece graduating from Liberty Christian, a granddaughter graduating Jr. High, and a grandson who will graduate.

Announcements and Coming Events

Meetings

We are hosting the Division 54 dinner meeting June 10th at 6 pm at Camp Kiwanis in Columbia Park. Terry Loney is in charge of organizing our food service. A number of members have volunteered to help get ready beginning at 4 pm. If you can come and stay later for cleanup duty we still need a few more volunteers.

The Board of Directors meeting will be at 11:45 Thursday, June 11 at the Clover Island Inn.

K-Kids at Virgie Robinson

There was a good turnout of Volunteers and K-Kids last Friday for establishing the new K-Kids garden at Virgie Robinson Elementary. They have something they can be proud of.

Club members who have helped at Virgie Robinson are invited to an ice cream event Wednesday June 10th at 3pm.

KHHH Logo Shirts and Hats

Do you remember the two special Horse Heaven Hills Kiwanis hats that Wayne Underwood had made up? Wayne has taken it one step further! He brought in a signup sheet today. Hats and shirts are now available. Many of us signed up on the spot. If you haven't ordered yet, but would like a hat or shirt just let [Wayne](#) know. He's planning to wait 2 meetings



before ordering so everyone has a chance. Shirts are \$25 with logo, or \$30 with logo and your first name. Hats are \$20. Your money will get you a great shirt and hat from a local company. The club will earn \$5 on each sale.

Painting Project at CDC

We will be painting three rooms at the Children's Development Center at 9 am Saturday June 13. Work should be complete in a couple of hours.

Eyeglasses, eyeglasses—bring more eyeglasses

The S.O.S. box (Save Old Spectacles) at our meetings has some donations, bring more! We're collecting used but still usable eye glasses for redistribution in third world countries.



Interclubs

June Interclub Calendar:

Dayton Club

Thursday, June 25th at noon

First Congregational Church – Dayton. Join our car pool caravan to Dayton. Contact Sarah Longan for details.

Volunteer with Virgie Robinson K-Kids

Sarah Longan urged members to consider volunteering next fall to work with the K-Kids at Virgie Robinson. Their meetings are held during recess and only take about 20 minutes.

Club History

Carolyn Lawson brought in the club's History scrapbook for members to look at today.

Head Start Volunteers

Donna Underwood took one more opportunity to praise this year's volunteers. She presented thank you gifts to John Lawson and Phil Slusser who contributed the most hours.

Benton Franklin Fair & Rodeo



Don't forget! We won our bid for the Novelties and Information booth at the fair. This will require

170 hours donated by our club (basically all day long, all week long), but it will be easy duty and calls for just two people at a time. Our club will earn about \$1,350 in just 6 days! Please mark your calendars and plan to help by signing up for a couple of shifts. The Fair is the last week of August. Doug Brown will have more details and begin signups for the shifts soon.

Next Week's Program :

**Marianne Ophardt
WSU Extension Service & Master
Gardners Program**

This Week's Program:

**Bob Smith
Hanford Secret Weapons Project**



Bob Smith

Bob Smith, now a docent at CHREST museum in Richland has had a long work history at the Hanford site. He used his presentation time to talk about the early history of the Hanford nuclear program, dating back to its beginnings with the Manhattan Project.

Bob brought a copy of a letter from Einstein to Present Roosevelt that is credited with playing a big role in starting America's nuclear program.

Hanford was picked based largely on four criteria:

- Desolation (few people to move or put at risk)
- Railroad service (at White Bluffs)
- Electricity (from Bonneville and Grand Coulee)
- Cold water (the Columbia River)

At the time it was established, scientists believed the project had only about a 60% chance of success.

Bob reviewed some documents that explained generally the nuclear program that was established during the war years and the creation of the Hanford B reactor.

He also talked about how the program led to the massive contamination cleanup program still going on.

A side topic was a discussion of the many “balloon bombs” the Japanese deployed, largely unsuccessfully, during WWII and the veil of secrecy that surrounded them.

Bob also presented our club with 2 DVDs:

- 50th Anniversary tour of Hanford & the “B” reactor (53 min., 1993)
- Japanese Balloon Bombs (15 min., 2008)

If you would like to check one of these out to view, contact our club historian, [Carolyn Lawson](#). We also have a copy of the handouts from Bob's presentation.

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